

News from Idaho

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Idaho Board of Nursing—PO Box 83720—Boise, Idaho 83720-0061

Board of Nursing Meetings

The members of the Board of Nursing meet on a quarterly basis with the next meeting scheduled for April 27-28, 2006, in Boise, Idaho. This meeting will be held at the Statehouse Inn, 981 Grove Street, Boise. Persons interested in attending this meeting and/or who require special accommodations, should contact the Board office at (208) 334-3110, ext. 25.

All meetings of the Board, except for executive sessions, are open to the public.

During each meeting, the Board holds an open forum for approximately one hour. Individuals are invited to express their concerns or make inquiries of the Board during this time period. No appointment is necessary to make a presentation during the forum; however, interested persons should contact the Board office to confirm the time of the forum and to make arrangements for special assistance. Action will not be taken on issues presented during the forum. If there are no presentations during the forum, the Board will proceed with the conduct of regular business.

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LPN Renewal of Licenses

The renewal period for licensed practical (LPN) nurses will begin June 1st and end August 31, 2006. Any currently licensed LPN who does not receive a renewal notice by July 1st should either notify the Board office (208) 334-3110 ext 21 for a duplicate renewal notice or complete an on-line renewal form (see next article). Renewal notices are sent to the last known address of record; however, each nurse must assume responsibility for renewing their license on or before the expiration date. White 'verification of licensure' postcards verifying receipt of the renewal are issued to every licensee who attaches postage and returns it with the completed renewal form. The postcard enables employers to verify current licensure during the time period that a renewal is being processed. Additionally, employers may call the IVR 24/7 (208/334-3110 option 1) to access the automated system and verify a license. The IVR offers an option to request a fax verification of the license; which validates the nurse's name,

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Meeting Dates

April 27-28, 2006

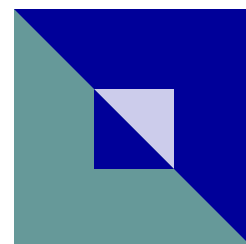
Deadline: 3/27/06

July 27-28, 2006

Deadline: 6/27/06

November 2-3, 2006

Deadline: 10/2/06



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license number and expiration date. The IVR voice response only validates the license number or social security number provided; unless a fax is requested, the name is not verified.

No record or receipt of a renewal application will be made until the application is correctly submitted, including all required information, signature and fee. Name changes must be accompanied by appropriate documentation or an Affidavit of Name change (available on the Board's website) or the application will be returned to the licensee.

Each year a large number of renewal applications are returned to the Board office by the Post Office because of a change in address. The fact that the post office provides its customers with limited forwarding does not relieve the licensee of the responsibility of keeping the Board notified of changes in address. Licensees who fail to timely renew their licenses will be assessed a late fee. Additionally, licensees who continue to practice nursing in Idaho without current licensure, may be assessed an administrative fine of up to \$100 for each separate offense not to exceed \$1000.00.



On-Line Renewal Option

Want the convenience of receiving your license quickly, or perhaps you waited until almost the deadline date? Then on-line renewal is the perfect answer. To renew on-line, access the Board's website at www2.state.id.us/ibn—Link to Licensing Information—Renewals. You will need your license number, SS#, date of birth and credit card. **There is a convenience fee charged for renewing on-line** that is assessed by the credit card company and the firm that maintains the on-line system.

If you have access to a printer, a receipt can be printed or e-mailed to you to present to your employer as evidence that you have submitted a renewal application. Be aware that some institutions may not accept the receipt and plan accordingly to validate your current licensure. Processing of on-line renewals is easy, and fast....renewed licenses are issued within 1-2 days.

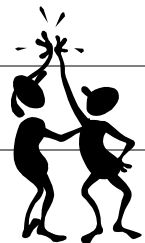
Check out your Employees.....use the Board's IVR

The Board of Nursing encourages the use of the Interactive Voice Response System (IVR) by employers to check current licenses of their employees and new hires. To access the IVR, available 24/7, call the main office number (208) 334-3110 and select the RN/LPN Licensure Information System. The numerical portion of the license number is required to make an inquiry. If necessary, an operator can be accessed by following the instructions (M-F/8-5 MDT).

Please note: The IVR CANNOT verify temporary licenses or licenses for Advanced Practice Professional Nurses (CNM, CNS, NP or RNA). You can check these individuals by dialing '0' or extension 21.

Coming Soon—On-line Verification of Licensure

At long last—Verifying a license on line is close to reality. Within the next 30-60 days, the public, including employers of nurses, will be able to verify an RN/LPN or APPN (CNM, CNS, NP and RNA) license simply by accessing the Board's website at www2.state.id.us/ibn. Please note: This system cannot verify temporary licenses — you can telephone the Board office for verification.



Duplicate Licenses Issued

The following persons were issued duplicate certificates during the period October 28, 2005 – March 29, 2006

Original certificates were reported as lost, stolen, never received in the mail or were re-issued because of a name change. Duplicates are identical to original certificates with the exception of the word "DUPLICATE" on the license. Please notify the Board of Nursing immediately should anyone present one of these certificates without the word "DUPLICATE" printed on the document.

Licensed Professional Nurses - Expires 8/31/07

Sharon Dianne Joramo	N-33907	Michelle H. Lowe	N-25652	Rachel L Cluff	N-27674
Katie Ann Hurley-Toledo	N-25876	Amber Pecor	N-31417	Laura D. Hollingshead	N-30719
Dorothy E Christian	N-22915	Vicki N. Sites	N-15742	Janel Holm	N-8422
Sandra St. George	N-19886	Becky Isern	N-14520	Patricia E. Davis	N-24359
Brittany Linn	N-34337	Michelle Chapple	N-33294	Lois E Broderson	N-11693
Teresa A. Marshall	N-20751	Racheal Ellen Peay	N-34534	Leona Taggart	N-22033
Yvett Adams	N-23065	Linda C. Witten	N-34132	Vicki Lyn Butikofer	N-8721
John S. Greco	N-34215	Sally McCarthy	N-33014	Linda D. Rushton	N-13903
Debra J. Long	N-21687	Susan E. Swinkels	N-32340	Shawna Sherburn	N-33162
Travis V. Arnold	N-30334	Rachel Anne Burnett	N-32586	Terri Lynn Johnson	N-14656
Shani Sargent	N-34299	Kellie Dawn Batista	N-29298	Meredith M. Giles	N-30141
Lynne A Birdsong	N-8091	Jean M Laughrin	N-7407	Lori May Hale	N-20834
Edith A Page	N-27945	Patricia A. Patterson	N-30198	Ann N. Moffett	N-33752
Connie Fresh	N-16323	Teresa Ann Rosholt	N-24099	Loy Schroeder	N-25732
Marilyn Sue Armayor	N-34749	Bethany Clark	N-32117	Erika Gunter	N-28729
Marianne Powell	N-33619	Wendy, Muir	N-33686	Ann Elizabeth Onymous	N-21956

Licensed Practical Nurses Expires 8/31/2006

Julie Ann Busby	PN-12073	Israel Rodriguez	PN-9485	Holly A Burbank	PN-13192
Marilou James	PN-12100	Joanne E. Chatham	PN-10743	Christine Waldemar	PN-8622
Linda Nowell Thomas	PN-13396	Felicita Sanchez	PN-7457	Kelli M. Reese	PN-12356
Amysue E. Thorlakson	PN-13130	Michelle M Smith Welker	PN-12326	Davianne Riddle	PN-12872

Advanced Practice Professional Nurses – Expires 8/31/2007

Douglas Barlow	NP-78A
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Visit the Board's Web Site at:
www2.state.id.us/ibn

Action of the Board

The Board:

- ✍ Adopted Guidelines regarding “Prescribed Controlled Substances and Active Participation in the PRN”
- ✍ Appointed a Task Force of Board members and staff to develop a plan to facilitate efforts toward addressing the nurse shortage in Idaho
- ✍ Accepted the report of the final on-site survey visit to Lewis-Clark State College, Lewiston, AAS Practical Nursing Program and granted full approval to the practical nursing program until June 2014
- ✍ Adopted the “Re-Entry to Practice” Policy for Advanced Practice Professional Nurses
- ✍ Granted initial approval to initiate a new professional nursing education program at Eastern Idaho Technical College, Idaho Falls
- ✍ Cancelled the following licenses for non-payment of fees:
 - Vicki Larson, N-17023—March 1, 2006
 - Jennifer Kroon, PN-12291—November 1, 2005
- ✍ Sent congratulations to the following Idaho nurses who participated in the NCLEX Item Development Program for the National Council of State Boards of Nursing, Inc:
 - Jane Edwards—PN Item Writing Panel
 - Donna Funk—RN Item Writing Panel
 - Carol J Lance—PN Item Review Panel



Disciplinary Action Taken by the Board

Board Meeting—November 10-11, 2005

Nancy Neeper, RN—License reinstated
 Susannah Coleman (Pline) - Re-affirmed previous
 revocation order

Paul Lustenberger, RN—License revoked
 Christine Pate, PN—Indefinite Suspension/Stay 6 mo
 Wayne Ketchum, RN—affirmed previous Board decision

Board Meeting—January 26-27, 2006

Ruth Goicoechea, RN—License revoked
 Patricia Elkin, RN Applicant—Affirmed Denial
 Karen Gneiting, RN—Reinstatement Denied

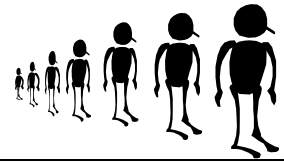
Dean Merritt, RN Applicant—Limited License—1 year
 Ginny Steiner, PN—License Reinstated with conditions
 Mary Rogers, RN—License Reinstated with conditions

Board Meeting via Teleconference —March 22, 2006

Shannon Sheldon, RN applicant—Affirmed Denial of Licensure
 Patrick Walsh, RN—Retracted 11/10/05 motion to revoke—set for hearing



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